

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

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For: MACHINING SYSTEM AND TOOL UNIT FOR  
THE MACHINING OF WORKPIECES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a continuation of Application No. PCT/EP02/00292 filed January 14, 2002; the  
above noted prior applications are all hereby incorporated by reference.